

**PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JUNE 15, 2021
TELECONFERENCE**

**Regional Board Meeting Agenda
6:00 PM (Open to All Members in Good Standing)**

**Regional Board – Rating of Boats
7:00 PM (List of Boats to Follow)**

Regional Board Meeting - In Attendance:

REGIONAL BOARD MEMBERS – VOTING MEMBERS

• **Executive Board**

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| ○ President | Dan Rossen |
| ○ Vice President | Paul Katz |
| ○ Judge Advocate | Lisa Gilinger |
| ○ Treasurer | Bob Hubbard |
| ○ Chief Handicapper | David Cattle |
| ○ Data Systems Mgr. | Sue Griesbach |

• **Area Board Representatives**

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| ○ Area A - Venture/Oxnard | [Vacant] |
| ○ Area B - MdR/KH | John Staff |
| ○ Area C - LB/LA | Heinz Butner |
| ○ Area D - Newport Beach | Jeff Tighe |
| ○ Area E/F-Dana Point/Oceanside | Bob Langan |
| ○ Area G - San Diego | Ivan Batanov |
| ○ Area I - Santa Barbara | Lisa Gilinger |

NON-VOTING ATTENDEES:

• **Advisors/Administration**

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| ○ Fleet Secretary | Karen Campbell |
| ○ Newsletter Editor | Paul Katz |
| ○ Handicap Advisor | Robert Plant |
| ○ Big Boat | Bruce Cooper |
| ○ Cruiser | Bryan Dair |
| ○ Sport Boat | John Staff |
| ○ Advisor at Large | Jamie Myer |

- **NOTE: NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

Via Teleconference:

- Please join the SoCal PHRF Meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone by going to
 - Computer or Laptop -
<https://zoom.us/j/94703994956?pwd=VHhldWNPVnpBL1k5SVFOTTRPK1RCZz09>
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President's Report:

- Yacht Clubs are opening up and sailing is starting to come alive
- Why do we require Membership for Yacht Clubs to be a member of PHRF SoCal?
 - It is in PHRF SoCal Rules
 - A requirement for a sail number to be issued by SCYA owner must be a member of a yacht Club
- Raced with Area B Representative during PHRF Champs at CYC
- Raced with Robert Plant at Delta Ditch
 - Ran into many other members and friends
 - Great race!
- Board Members should look to race on other boats
 - “Observed performances”

Vice President's Report:

- No Report
 - See PHRF Champs report below

Treasurer's Report:

- Monthly Report –
 - Balances are up from a year ago and up
 - Saving money with no in person membership meetings
 - As of May 2021 - 509 Membership
 - Normal expenditures
 - Zoom meetings are helping PHRF SoCal to keep on track financially

Judge Advocate's Report:

- No Report
- End of July 2021 - Santa Barbara to King Harbor is a GO!!

Data Systems Report:

- Phishing attempt in May
 - Emails were sent asking for gift cards, etc.

- BE CAREFUL with these requests
- Suggestion Box
 - Need a Glossary of Terms
 - Data Systems Manager is updating Glossary of Terms
 - Glossary of Terms is currently on the website but needs to be made easier to navigate on website

Fleet Secretary's Report:

- Friendly reminder to make sure Yacht Clubs (especially Clubs of Board Members) have current ratings for all boats racing
- Fleet Secretary will be out of the country from July 1 – 25, 2021
 - Will be able to respond to emails but phone calls will be difficult
 - Data Systems Manager has been requested to post a Notice on Website
 - Communication with Fleet Secretary will be limited 7/1-25/2021
 - Will not be able to process checks, credit card payments only during this time
 - Email is the most efficient way to communicate with Fleet Secretary

Old Business

- 2021 PHRF Championships Recap
 - Participation
 - From Sue Service, CYC Chairperson
 - Entries out of 72 total
 - PHRF - 23 in 5 Classes
 - Almost ½ of all entries
 - J70s – 29 (CYC hosting Worlds later this summer)
 - Other One Design Fleets - 20
 - Winners of PHRF Classes for 2021 are:
 - PHRF A: Jay Steinbeck, California Yacht Club, **MARGARITAVILLE 1.5**
 - PHRF B: Neil Fraser, Del Rey Yacht Club, **MEXICAN DIVORCE**
 - PHRF C: David Boatner, Ventura Yacht Club, **RIVAL**
 - PHRF D: David Haas, Seal Beach Yacht Club, **SYNDICATE**
 - Cruising Class: Joseph Weber, California Yacht Club, **VA PENSIERO**
 - Awards discussion
 - Paul Katz and Fleet Secretary to discuss off Agenda to decide on Crew Awards
 - Several Board Members were in attendance
- SPECIAL REPORT - ORA-1
 - Vice President's presentation
 - The Rating Board is not as active and the members are not necessarily prepared in advance for the boats being reviewed
 - Handicapping suggestions fall mostly on the Chief Handicapper
 - Was planning to make a Motion to approve ORA for future ratings; however, will hold off for now
 - We should revisit prior ratings that may be incorrect

- Not able to do this due to late night meetings
- Data Systems' and Area E/F representative presented database issues
 - In conversations with Jay Tyson (ORA-1) and 2 other advisors
 - How does the system work?
 - How does data get imported into Regatta Management Solutions?
 - Summary
 - Computer system is handled by 2 gentlemen
 - Have been trying to get data for over 3 weeks but ORA is very busy
 - Record Management
 - Emails vs Sail Numbers
 - Boat Owners email information will need to be handed over to Regatta Management Solutions
 - Board will need to approve in addition to our members
 - Cruising boats conversion from PHRF to ORA
 - My boat put into the ORA-1 system as a test
 - Many boats in Cruising category will require more information to be made available by boat designers/managers
 - Due to personal contacts with Catalina Yachts, able to get computer generated information into the ORA system
 - What about others that do not have same type of relationship?
 - Inconsistency with weight due to the fact Catalina reports strip-down dry weighty
- Open discussion
 - Bob Hubbard had discussion with ORA Review Board
 - Trial certificate was “way weird” for his boat
 - ORA-1 stated that they would have to review all PHRF SoCal boats one by one to get information into the system (500+ boats currently)
 - Would need someone to input modifications and inconsistencies into the ORA database
 - Even if boats were measured for ORR, they will need to still go thru a review process by ORA-1 committee
 - There is a great deal of time that will need to coordinate the change over
 - David Cattle
 - Some anomalies in ORA such as Echelles
 - There are many more good points too
 - Could be beneficial in some regards but not all
 - \$45 per boat for a 3-year rating certificate
 - Issue ratings for Light and Medium winds to be used for racing
 - Sue Griesbach
 - Try using ORA as a parallel rating as a test

- Do not make changes permanent at this time/maybe never
- Lisa Gilinger
 - Must present to the Membership
 - Who will pay the additional costs?
 - If we try to sell handicapping system to Members, it could be the end of PHRF if this is something they do not want
 - Will not support the end of PHRF
 - Rules and Bylaws do not allow for ORA procedures and would need to be completely rewritten
 - Area Boards would not have a purpose
 - One person to participate as a “Race Czar” for their area
 - Observed performance would not have a voice
- Bruce Cooper –
 - PHRF is broken product
 - Anchor boats are not racing due to the times – Need to be updated the tools for PHRF ratings of current boats
 - Cruiser/racers are changing and PHRF SoCal has not adapted to these changes
 - PHRF needs a system to get the best ratings available
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 - Explained how “observed performance” is used by ORA
 - ORA will “tweak” its information behind the scenes for observed performance
- John Staff –
 - What function would PHRF SoCal have after 74+ years?
 - Regional Board and Area Boards would have no purpose
 - We need more members reporting observed performance
- Robert Plant – Past Chief Handicapper
 - Use ORR as a tool for some of the boats, but possibly not all
 - ORR helped as a tool for rating boats and most users trust this rating system.
 - Use it as a tool for:
 - Boat Modifications
 - New types of boats not previously seen.
 - Use ORA rating for 7-8 months then bring boat in with race result to finalize its PHRF rating
 - Do this for 80-90 boats a year to start
 - Use it for (0) raters and below
 - Use it for Cruising Boats
- Jamie Myer
 - Outstanding, glaring issues that needs to be addressed
 - Roll out on “test boats”
 - Transferring of data and such
 - Once it is worked out, move onto all boats
- Karen Campbell – Fleet Secretary

- Continuous Improvement
 - Why have we not looked to taking what we have and improving on the system
 - The only motion made before the Board was for ORR Ez to be used on (-12) and lower
 - No report was made that it was being considered for ALL BOATS
 - New motion was never made
 - Criticism was made that the volunteers/advisors assisting with handicapping are not stepping up
 - Maybe that could have been a starting point to motivate
 - Dan Rossen
 - ORR/ORA has been used and could continue to be used as a “Tool” for rating within PHRF SoCal system
 - Many of the test boats under ORA are not that different so maybe the Board is not that far off their ratings
 - Motivate advisors as our experts
 - Observed performance needs to be continued
 - ORA can help with modifications
 - Members are encouraged to submit ORR to help with re-ratings and modifications
 - Have been involved for 15-18 years
 - Enjoys the observed performance of the race boats
 - Checked with each Board Member for quick comments:
 - Paul Katz – see at least a worthwhile tool
 - Sue Griesbach – should looking into this – both positive and negatives, pick several groups and check out procedures
 - Lisa Gilinger – Like ORR/ORA as a tool; feel that the Board does a good job and very capable to get the job done, significant changes to Rules and Bylaws
 - Bob Langan – likes to use it as a tool, hard to get feedback regarding races, cannot change over immediately as it would be a mess
 - Bob Hubbard – ORA as a Tool to use for rating big, fast boats and boats not yet rated by Board; not supporting a mass adaptation for 500+ boats
 - Heinz Butner – Sees a need to look into alternative ways to rate boats but ORA should be used as a tool along with observed performance and implement continuous improvement to PHRF system
 - John Staff – Not in favor of passing all boats to ORA, our founding members were correct to use Area Boards to give feedback to Regional Boards but input has been dwindling

- David Cattle – Holding onto PHRF is good as it is simple and easy to use, but need to come up with something moving forward to be able to progress ratings for modifications and fast boats, etc.
 - Jeff Tighe – Like to use it as a tool, he has an ORR-EZ rating and likes the large amount of data that comes with it
 - Bruce Cooper – advisor (see comments above) Need better tools
 - Robert Plant – Advisor – ORA is a great tool
 - Jamie Myer – Advisor/past president – great tool to address more complex boats, in favor of a paid group of people to replace volunteers not being available to assist with boat ratings
 - Paul Katz – Will prepare a memo of comments and a plan, and submit to Board
- Other Old Business
 - None

New Business

- John Staff
 - A Foiling boat has applied for a PHRF SoCal rating
 - Does not lift the boat out of the water, helps to stabilize it only
 - **MOTION BY JOHN STAFF TO DELETE ~~RULE 2.6.d~~ – ~~SOCAL PHRF DOES NOT RATE FOILING BOATS/SECONDED BY D ROSSEN/PASSED WITH 1 NAY (B HUBBARD) AND 1 ABSTENTION (BOB LANGAN)~~**

AREA REPORT

AREA A: [Vacant]

- No Report

AREA B: John Staff

- No Report

AREA C: Heinz Butner

- Anonymous Rating review will be scheduled for end of the month for SYNDICATE (June 28, 2021 via Zoom)

AREA D: Jeff Tighe

- No Report

AREA E/F: Bob Langan

- No Report

AREA G: ~~Ivan Batanov~~

- No Report

AREA I: Lisa Gilinger

- No Report

ADVISORS:

Handicap Advisor: Robert Plant

- No Report

Sports Boat: John Staff

- No Report

Multihull: [Vacant]

Cruiser: Bryan Dair (Not in attendance)

- No Report

Big Boat/Ullman Sails: Bruce Cooper

- Has been doing a lot of racing on lots of different boats

Advisor At Large: Jamie Myer

- No Report

• **Chief Handicapper's Report:**

- Discussion regarding:

PURSUANT TO PHRF SOCAL RULE 4.2c, THE FIRST AND SECOND READINGS MAY BE PERFORMED AT THE SAME MEETING OF THE REGIONAL BOARD

BOATS: 7 DAY OPPOSITION PERIOD The following boats had their first reading during the previous Regional Board meeting and passed the 7 Day Opposition Period
PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- **VIKKTOREOUS (56370) – BEN35S5M – RATING REVIEW / 1ST READING**

Ben & Anne Haymond (Not in attendance)

- **/126/120/120/ TO BE NOTED ON RATING CERTIFICATE: ALL SYMMETRICAL AND ASYMMETRICAL SAILS ARE RESTRICTED TO SIZE ON RATING CERTIFICATE WITH A SPL AS 11.15'**

- **MARIAH (97017B) – MARIAH 27M – INITIAL RATING REVIEW/1ST READING**

Michael Kent (Not in attendance)

- **TABLED** (Temp rating issued /126/126/126/)
- **Will be rescheduled**

AGENDA OF BOATS FOR REVIEW:

BEGINNING AT 7:00PM (4 Boats)

- **CALLISTO (8540) – CAL40 – MODIFICATION REVIEW/1ST READING**

James Eddy (In attendance for owner - Park Eddy)

(Rec'd 12/29/20)

12/29/20 – Sent to CH

Owner replaced Shumaker rudder with similar type for 2019 Transpacific Race

- **6/15/21 – 1st MOTION BY D CATTLE FOR NO CHANGE/SECOND BY H BUTNER/. UNANIMOUSLY PASSED**

- **6/21/21 - AFTER CONSIDERATION BY THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER REGARDING NEW INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY MEMBER OF CAL40 FLEET, CALLISTO (8540) WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR A 2ND READING REGARDING THE "WATER RAT" RUDDER INSTALLATION**
- **LIEBCHEN (7287) – HANSE400 – RATING REVIEW**
Molly O’Brian (In attendance)
(Rec’d 5/13/21)
5/14/21 Sent to CH
Current Rating - /63/57/57/
Owner Requesting /116/112/112/
 - **6/15/21 – 1ST MOTION BY D CATTLE /105/102/102/SECOND BY J STAFF/DISCUSSION /UNANIMOUS**
- **SCARLET FEVER (56875) - JNNU50SC – RATING REVIEW**
Paul Hofer (In attendance)
(Rec’d 6/1/21)
6/1/21 – Sent to CH
Current Rating - /45/42/42/
Proposed Rating - /82/82/82/
 - **6/15/21 – 1ST MOTION BY L GILINGER /66/60/60/SECOND BY J STAFF/PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- **WE BE JAMMIN (87163) – PREVIOUSLY MODIFIED SUGAR SCOOP AND BOW – 1ST READING**
Paul Gadbois
(Rec’d 1/25/20)
2/7/2020 120-day temp /104/104/104/
6/10/20 – 120-day ext
10/10/20 – 120 extended
4/2021 – Owner renewed Temp Rating /104/104/104/
 - **6/15/21 – 1ST MOTION BY D CATTLE /104/104/104/ SECOND BY J STAFF/ PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- **ALL BOATS REQUESTING A RATING REVIEW OR HAVE HAD A 120 DAY TEMPORARY RATING ISSUED:**
 - *Prior to being considered for scheduling a boat for any Rating Review, all owners must first forward to Fleet Secretary via email (available online):*
 - *A formal Request for Rating Review properly completed*
 - *New Application or*
 - *Those that had a Temporary Rating issued, please follow the procedures required for “Requesting for Rating Review”*
 - *Request for Rating Review*

- Please refer to the following [Appeal Your Rating | Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Southern California \(phrfsocal.org\)](http://phrfsocal.org)
 - Email all documentation to fleetoffice@phrfsocal.org
- After being Scheduled and Prior to your Reading by email to fleetoffice@phrfsocal.org – **Thursday Prior to Scheduled Meeting**
 - Updated information:
 - All race results
 - Actual and Adjusted Results using the online spreadsheet found on website at <http://phrfsocal.org/rating-review/> “Rating Review Worksheet”
 - Any additional information that has been previously requested and/or useful for the rating process (photos, ORR certificates, etc.)
- **TIME ALLOTTED FOR OWNER(S) PRESENTATION:**
 - Introductions – Regional Board and Owners/Witnesses in attendance
 - 3 Minutes – Chief Handicapper and/or relevant Boat Advisor
 - 5 Minutes – Owner Presentation
 - 3 Minutes each for up to three (3) other boat owners remarks In Support (3 to 9 minutes max)
 - 3 Minutes each for up to three (3) other boat owners remarks In Opposition (3 to 9 minutes max)
 - 1 Minute – Owner rebuttal
- **PURSUANT TO PHRF SOCAL RULE 4.2c, THERE IS A 7 DAY OPPOSITION PERIOD FOR OBJECTIONS AFTER THE PRIOR REGIONAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES HAVE BEEN POSTED.**
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Group assignments and hearing times are established to encourage the orderly progress of a meeting. A boat may, however, be called prior to or after its assigned Group time unless a boat owner, representative or other interested party has contacted the Fleet Secretary to confirm their estimated arrival time at the hearing. Interested parties are therefore encouraged to arrive early or contact the Fleet Secretary at least one day prior to the meeting to confirm their arrival time.

PLEASE JOIN THE DISCUSSION ON ZOOM (SEE ABOVE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION).

Meeting Adjourned: 9:07pm

Next Meeting:

REGIONAL BOARD MEETING

Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, July 20, 2021

Location: CONFERENCE CALL UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE